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Re: CALFED Approved Projects

Dear Ms. Baker:

CALFED has previously approved the following projects for the Department of Fish and Game (DFG) last Spring:

Developing a Genetic Baseline for San Joaquin Salmon. DFG proposes to develop genetic archive and provide a genetic description of fall-run chinook salmon stocks within the San Joaquin River system. The project addresses genetic factors that have been identified as an important population management stressor related to artificial propagation. Total project cost is \$387,003. Fiscal Year (FY) 1999-00 expenditures are estimated to be \$129,000.

Spawning Gravel Introduction - Basso Bridge. DFG proposes gravel replacement in the Tuolumne River between La Grange Dam and Old Basso Bridge in order to supplement the coarse sediment supply cutoff by La Grange Dam. Spawning gravel is currently limiting to the salmon population in this river reach. During Phase I, 10,000 cubic yards of gravel would be placed at appropriate sites along the bank and allowed to redistribute naturally. Phase II would add an additional 10,000 cubic yards in another area. Benefits would be provided to San Joaquin fall-run chinook salmon. Total project cost is \$250,975. FY 1999-00 expenditures are estimated to be \$177,000.

In addition, the Department of Water Resources will be reimbursing DFG \$600,000 for its work on the Northern Off-Stream Storage Evaluation Project.

In the 1998 cycle, CALFED has recently approved the following projects for DFG:

Adult Fall-Run Chinook Salmon Movement in the Lower San Joaquin River and South Delta. Total project cost is \$285,000.

CALFED Agencies

California
The Resources Agency
Department of Fish and Game
Department of Water Resources
California Environmental Protection Agency
State Water Resources Control Board

Federal
Environmental Protection Agency
Department of the Interior
Fish and Wildlife Service
Bureau of Reclamation
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Department of Agriculture
Natural Resources Conservation Service
Department of Commerce
National Marine Fisheries Service

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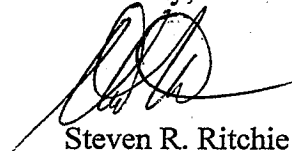
Hill Slough West Habitat Demonstration Project. Total project cost is \$200,000

Rhode Island Floodplain Management and Habitat Restoration. Total project cost is \$25,000

Nelson Slough Wildlife Area Restoration Demonstration Project. Total project cost is \$256,476.

Phase 3 - Merced River Salmon Habitat Enhancement. Total project cost is \$2,433,759.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "SR Ritchie", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Steven R. Ritchie
Chief Deputy Director